

City of Gaithersburg Press Release

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Jenni Dunn Named "Best Baker in the Land" in Great Gaithersburg Bake-Off Challenge

Gaithersburg, MD (June 3, 2021) The final round of the first ever Great Gaithersburg Bake-Off Challenge was held on May 20 and Jenni Dunn won first place with her award-winning recipe for "Jenni's Summer Fruit & Champagne Cake." The festive layer cake is made from a tender white sponge, filled with seasonal fruit compote, and finished with a rich, champagne-spiked buttercream, perfect for summer celebrations.

Judges included Council Vice President Mike Sesma, Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture Carolyn Muller, Director of Marketing for Montgomery County's Visit Montgomery Office of Tourism Cory Van Horn, and Pastry Chef & Owner of Mel's Munchies, Melanie Parker.

Recipe cards featuring Jenni's winning cake are available at the Casey Farmers Market at Casey Community Center, 810 South Frederick Avenue. The Market takes place weekly on Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Ready to show off your culinary skills? We're now accepting entries for the first ever Great Gaithersburg Grill-Off. Apply here to submit your best grilled recipe for a chance to be named the greatest griller in the land. The winner will receive a Gaithersburg prize package and the title of Great Gaithersburg Grill-Off Champion. Recipe submissions are due July 9 and finalists will be announced on July 23. Tasting and judging will take place at Casey Community Center's National Night Out on August 3, where the winner will be announced.

More recipe contests are coming in 2021, so hang on to your recipes for Pumpkin and Cookies.

Great Gaithersburg Pumpkin-Off

September 10, 2021: Recipe submissions due September 24, 2021: Finalists announced

October 7: Finalist recipe tasting and judging at Casey Farmers Market; winner announced.

Great Gaithersburg Cookie-Off

October 29, 2021: Recipe submissions due November 5, 2021: Finalists announced

Date TBD: Finalist recipe tasting and judging at Casey Farmers Market; winner announced.

For information visit www.gaithersburgmd.gov or call 301-258-6366. Follow us on Facebook @CaseyCommunityCenter.